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TO INCREASE ELECTRIC POWER CAPACITY

PLAN NEW POWER PLANTS -- Berlin, Der Volksbetrieb, 2 Nov 50

According to chief engineer Max Schopflin, the Five-Year Plan provides that by 1955 electric power output shall reach 176 percent of the 1950 output. As a first step toward this goal, power production will be raised by more than one billion kilowatt-hours in 1951. Coal output will increase, especially by mining operations in the newly discovered mines in the Doberlugk area. New power plants with a capacity of about 2,000 megawatts will be built near Tschornowitz and Hirschfelde. The Trattendorf and Bernsdorf steam power plants will be reconstructed, and a pumped storage unit with a capacity of 80 megawatts will be built at Hohensath.

Power plants, too, must fulfill their production quotas, which will be fixed according to consumption needs. The power plants are making an effort to achieve an economical use of night power, which should reach 30 percent of the employed machine and boiler capacity. Plans are being made for the enlargement of the Bergmann-Borsig Plant in Berlin and the Goerlitz Machine Factory, to enable them to produce new generators.

REPORTS ELECTRIC POWER SHORTAGE -- Zuerich, Neue Zuercher Zeitung, 7 Nov 50

There has been a chronic shortage of electric power in East Germany, caused by the dismantlings of electric power plants by the Soviet Occupying Power. Again it has become necessary to cut off power during the winter months. Industrial establishments have been told to convert to night shifts, since they are compelled to consume at least one third of their electric energy between 2200 and 0600 hours. Households cannot consume any electric power between 0730 and 0930 hours.

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CHEMNITZ HAS GAS SHORTAGE -- Chemnitz, Volksstimme, 3 Jan 51

To all gas consumers in industry, trade, and households:

Because of interruptions in coal deliveries, it has become necessary to curtail gas delivery.

We therefore ask all our customers to consume the smallest quantities of gas possible, and we stress particularly that heating gas should be used only in most urgent instances. -- KWU-Gas Plant /Communal Enterprise/

FIRST WATER DELIVERY MADE FROM SOSA DAM -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 6 Dec 50

The first water delivery from the Sosa Dam has been made, about one month ahead of schedule. The dam, not yet completely finished, employs 2,300 workers at present.

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